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SENATE BILL

No. 1118

Introduced by Senator Margett (Coauthor: Senator Karnette)

(Coauthor: Assembly Member Maldonado)

February 23, 2001

An act to add and repeal Section 48986 of the Education Code, relating to pupil performance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1118, as amended, Margett. Pupil performance: requirements. Existing law requires, at the beginning of the first semester or quarter of the regular school term, the governing board of each school district to notify the parent or guardian of its minor pupils of certain matters, including the availability of individualized instruction and requirements for passing the high school exit examination.

This bill would, until January 1, 2007, require the State Department of Education, in consultation with the California Postsecondary Education Commission, to develop a pamphlet that explains the requirements for high school graduation and admission to state colleges, the importance of college entrance exams, and the availability of financial aid programs.

The bill would require the State Board of Education and the California Postsecondary Education Commission to approve the

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pamphlet and make it available to all school districts by September 1, 2002. The bill would require school districts to include the pamphlet for the parents and guardians of pupils in any of grades 7 to 12, inclusive, when making their annual notification, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement, including the creation of a State Mandates Claims Fund to pay the costs of mandates that do not exceed \$1,000,000 statewide and other procedures for claims whose statewide costs exceed \$1,000,000.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 48986 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 3 48986. (a) The State Department of Education, in
- consultation with the California Postsecondary Education
- 5 Commission, shall develop a pamphlet that explains all of the 6 following:
- 7 (1) The state law regarding high school graduation 8 requirements.
 - (2) The importance of the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test and the Scholastic Aptitude Test, advanced placement courses, and other college entrance exams.
- 12 (3) Requirements for admission into the California 13 Community Colleges.
- 14 (4) Requirements for admission into the California State 15 University.
- 16 (5) Requirements for admission into the University of California.
- 18 (6) The availability of Cal Grants and other financial aid programs.

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(b) The State Board of Education *and the California Postsecondary Education Commission* shall approve the pamphlet developed pursuant to subdivision (a) and make the pamphlet available to all school districts by September 1, 2002.

- (c) (1) The pamphlet developed pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be included in the notification required pursuant to Section 48980, as provided to the parents and guardians of pupils in any of grades 7 to 12, inclusive.
- (2) The State Board of Education shall inform school districts of the requirement to include the pamphlet for the parents and legal guardians of pupils in any of grades 7 to 12, inclusive, when making the annual notification required pursuant to Section 48980.
- (d) The State Department of Education shall report to the Legislature on the effect, *if any*, of the pamphlet on or before November 15, 2006. The report shall address, but not be limited to, all of the following:
- (1) The increase in enrollment of students from underrepresented communities in higher education institutions.
 - (2) The decrease in pupil dropout rates in high schools.
- (3) The increase in enrollment of pupils from underrepresented communities in advanced placement or other college preparatory courses.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2007, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2007, deletes or extends that date.
- SEC. 2. Notwithstanding Section 17610 of the Government Code, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title
- 32 2 of the Government Code. If the statewide cost of the claim for
- reimbursement does not exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000),
- 34 reimbursement shall be made from the State Mandates Claims
- 35 Fund.